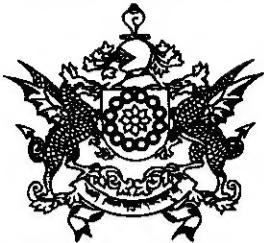


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**NOTIFICATION**

In pursuance of the directions issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs vide letter No.14/6/2016-Public dated 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2016, regarding "Orders relating to the National Anthem of India", the State Government is hereby pleased to issue the following directions for strict compliance:-

- (a) The National Anthem should not be utilized in a manner by which the person involved with it shall, either directly or indirectly, have any commercial benefit or any other benefit.
- (b) There shall not be dramatization of the National Anthem and it should not be included as a part of any variety show. It is because when the National Anthem is sung or played it is imperative on the part of every one present to show due respect and honour.
- (c) National Anthem or a part of it shall not be printed on any object and also never be displayed in such a manner at such places which may be disgraceful to its status and tantamount to disrespect. It is because when the National Anthem is sung, the concept of protocol associated with it has its inherent roots in National identity, National integrity and Constitutional Patriotism.
- (d) All the cinema halls in the State shall play the National Anthem before the feature film starts and all present in the hall are obliged to stand up to show respect to the National Anthem.
- (e) Prior to the National Anthem being played or sung in the cinema hall on the screen, the entry and exit doors shall remain closed so that no one can create any kind of disturbance which will amount to disrespect to the National Anthem. After the National Anthem is played or sung, the doors can be opened.

- (f) When the National Anthem shall be played in Cinema Halls, it shall be with the National Flag on the screen.
- (g) The abridge version of the National Anthem made by any one for whatever reason shall not be played or displayed.

**By order and in the name of the Governor.**

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